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1. EMBOFF 5 JULY ADVISED SEMENOV, MINISTRY OF LAND RECLAMATION AND WATER RESOURCES, THAT SOVIET DECISION ON SUBJECT DEL'S VISIT MUST BE RECEIVED BY 7 JULY AND THAT LATE RESPONSE COULD LEAD, BECAUSE OF OTHER SCHEDULING CONSIDERATIONS, TO POSTPONEMENT UNTIL 1977.

2. SEMENOV SAID THAT SOVIET RESPONSE TO ARTHUR TELEX (REF) NOT YET READY, BUT THAT SOVIET DELEGATION WILL DEFINITELY NOT BE ABLE TO GO ON SUGGESTED 23 JULY 4 AUGUST ITINERARY. SEMENOV SAID THAT SEVERAL MEMBERS OF SOVDEL ARE TO PARTICIPATE IN 13-20 JULY BUTCHER VISIT (01.12), AND THAT IT IS NOT POSSIBLE FOR THEM TO GET READY FOR BOTH. SEMENOV SAID THAT SOVIET DELEGATION WOULD LIKE FOR SUBJECT VISIT TO TAKE PLACE IN SEPTEMBER OR PERHAPS OCTOBER. SEMENOV SAID THAT SPECIFICATION OF DATES CAN BE DOEN WITH TIMBLIN WHEN HE VISITS WITH BUTCHER DEL.

3. EMBOFF PROMISED TO PASS SEMENOV SUGGESTION TO TIMBLIN, BUT OBSERVED THAT POSTPONEMENT FROM 23 JULY TIMING MAY NECESSITATE MOVING DEL VISIT ALL THE WAY INTO 1977. SEMENOV SAID THAT WOULD BE MOST UNFORTUNATE, AND SAID THAT CANCELLATION MIGHT BECOME A NECESSITY IF SUCH A LONG TIME IS NECESSARY. IN
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RESPONSE EMBOFF QUESTION, SEMENOV REPEATED THAT 23 JULY TIMING

IS OUT OF THE QUESTION.

4. SINCE TIMING ON DEL IS NOT SETTLED, EMBOFF DID NOT BRING UP
QUESTION OF ACTIVITIES DURING VISIT.
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